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Dear []

Having completed my mission and exchanging farewell greetings with you, I would like to make a couple of remarks concerning our former mutual effort and to give one or two suggestions for possible cooperation in the future.

1. Cooperation by Lithuanians with Americans and British had as a shortcoming, from the Lithuanian side, the lack of one center which could coordinate that cooperation and direct it. It was not normal that two Lithuanian organizations--VLIK and LRS--which couldn't get along with one another organized separate contact channels with Lithuania. There should have been one Lithuanian center (one person with authority) which could direct all those contacts and would be responsible for them.

The Americans and British were in favor of that and attempted to organize such a center, but the wrong tactics were chosen. It was attempted from the beginning to put into actual practice the cooperation between VLIK and LRS, and only after that to think about the organization of one center. This did not come about. It would have been much more practical to organize such a center from the beginning and after that was done to bring VLIK and LRS into the picture, making up one Lithuanian front for contact with the homeland under direction of that center.

2. An individual appointed to such a position as I was should be more independent and free from the chairman of VLIK and the Executive Committee than I was as chief of VLIK's Military Section.

3. VLIK's "liaison men" were absolutely unnecessary and useless. Many times they complicated matters, but most important, they knew matters which should have been known only to the chairman of VLIK or me.

4. Without making any accusations at anyone, I still want to indicate that even the Americans at times spoke too freely with VLIK's people.

5. The Americans' agreement with VLIK, concerning my work, even before my departure from the United States for Europe in 1952, was already known to all VLIK members and was being considered in VLIK. Such an agreement should be known only to the chairman of VLIK and the Executive Committee, but not all members of VLIK.

6. It was very wrong that LRS, through its Information Bureau, released for publication not one but two official bulletins dealing with the matter of contact with the homeland. If one strong center had been

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organized, such expoundings would not have occurred.

That much for the past.

Now a couple of thoughts about the future.

The general objective of the United States and all Lithuanians to return liberty to Lithuania demands sincere cooperation between the Americans and the Lithuanians. To accomplish this, exclusive of purely political efforts, requires that:

(1) In that field, in which I had occasion to work a short time and in which you will work in the future, the Americans ^{should} lean on the strongest Lithuanian political organization, and that they maintain contact with occupied Lithuania not so much in their (Americans) name but in the name of that Lithuanian organization. Such contact could be the most effective in Lithuania.

(2) Such an organization could be VLIK. However, for such a purpose, it would be necessary that the present-day VLIK reorganize itself and become stronger and unite, if possible, all Lithuanians in the emigration. This is strictly a Lithuanian matter, but the Americans should also be interested in it and they should assist VLIK to become stronger.

(3) Cooperation with a reorganized VLIK would be useful to the Americans for two reasons:

(a) VLIK has and will continue to have contact with other nationals' organizations--Poles, Germans, Ukrainians, Balts. In these contacts, it is possible to find information useful even to an American intelligence organization.

(b) VLIK will organize its own Military Section to bring into the active resistance Lithuanians in the homeland and in the emigration, in the event of war. This matter should especially interest the Americans.

(4) To make any future cooperation easier a single Lithuanian center should be organized from the beginning, which center should combine and direct all Lithuanians' contacts with the homeland.

(5) This center should be independent in its sphere of activity.

(6) The location of such a center should be as far as possible from VLIK and LRS. The United States would be best.

(7) This center should have concentrated within it not only the matter of contact with the homeland but all matters concerned with preparations for war, i.e., the entire VLIK Military Section should also be here,

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whose task would be not only to prepare an armed Lithuanian uprising against the Russians in Lithuania in event of war, but also to form military units from Lithuanians now in the West which could actively participate in the war of liberty. The Polish emigres, with British assistance, have already done this work through General Anders' staff. By their example, the same should be done by the Lithuanians, Latvians, and Estonians.

(8) The chairman of VLIK and its members should be completely separated from the matter of contact with the country.

(9) No VLIK liaison men whatsoever are necessary.

To organize the matter in such a manner may not be easy, but it is possible and attempt should be made to do so. I think that when so organized the work would have to go more smoothly and from such work there would be great benefit for the Americans, the Lithuanians, and our suffering Lithuania.

I thank you, sir, and your other co-workers, for our former, even though it was short, mutual effort. I wish you much success in your important work and am prepared to assist you in Lithuanian matters in the future, if such assistance would be necessary and worthwhile.

Wishing you the best of everything, I remain,

With high regard

Yours

/s/ Stasys Rastikis

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Gerbiamasis

Baigę savo misiją, ir at-
sivertindamas su Jums,
noriu padaryti keltą, pasta-
ly, liečiančią mūsų brovų,
bendradarbiavimą, ir nuo-
dyti vieną, kita, sugestiją, dėl
galimo bendradarbiavimo atei-
tyje.

1.) Lietuvių bendradarbia-
vime su amerikiečiais ir kit.
tais lietuvių, praejo trūkso vie-
no centris, kuris tą bendradar-
biavimą derintų, ir išm. vado.

notu. Šuo nenormalu, kada
dui lietuvių organizacijos - VSK
ir ŠRS, turėdamos neužgimau-
sios, organizavo atskirus rūpūs
su lietuviu. Tuoju būdu vienas
lietuviškas centras (vienas au-
tiklinas darbas). Kuris vi-
soms tiems rūpoms vadovau-
ti ir lietuvių rūpoms atskirumas.

Ameliskiai ir lietuvi
ne šio uždavio, ir meginio to-
kių centrai, suorganizuoti, bet
šuo parinkta, elaidinga tal-
taka; šuo meginio iš pra-
dinių įtraukti į lietuviškas
viena, VSK, ir santarpe, o po
to gauti apie vieno centro su-
darymas. Šis uždavio. Būtinai
už darą praktikiams - iš pra-
dinių uždavio tokių centrai, o
po to jau įtraukti ir VSK, ir
ŠRS į lietuviškas, su,

3.
darant vienu, lietuvistą, fran-
tą, rūsianą su kraštu, tam
centrui vadovaujant.

2.) Armino, paskirtas tokiam
darbiui, kokiam aš buvau nu-
matytas, turtų, būti dangian
savarankiškais ir nepriklaus.
siti nuo VSKO ir vykdamosios
Tarybos pirmininkų, kaip aš tu-
rijau priklausyti, kaip VSKO
atstovas (karinio) skyriaus vir-
šininkas.

3.) VSKO ryšininkais buvo
visai nereikalingi ir nenau-
dingi. Je dažnai sukomplicuo-
davo reikalus, o svarbiausia -
je žinodavo tokius reikalus, ko-
kios turejo ar galėjo žinoti tik
vienas VSKO pirmininkas ir aš.

4.) Redaguojamas niekam
jokių priekaištų, noriu vis dėl-
to paminėti, kad ir amerikiečiai

kai kadas luno qdi per daug atis
 ir suvesti žmonių.

5) Amerikiečių kultūra su
 vestu, liečianti mūsų šalį,
 dar prieš mūsų įsigimą, 1951
 metais iš Amerikos į Europą,
 į mūsų žemumą. visoms vestu
 naujoms ir vestu luno vėrus.
 toms. Objektų kultūra, tūrio
 žmūti tik vestu ir vest žmūmim
 kai, bet ne visi vestu naujai.

6) Mūsų dideli šis valdai,
 kadas šis per savo informai.
 į žmūmą, kaskalio vietoje šis
 dūg net du oficialūs žmūmūs
 mūs, liečiančius rūpų, an kūs
 tu valdai, įi kūt, lūmų suv.
 gyvenamąs žmūmūs vėrus
 centras, tiktų, vėstėjimū, valdū
 lūmų.

Tai luno žmūmūs.

5.
Atkar pona pastabuz, del atis-
ties.

Bendras jaunatiniu, Ameri-
kos Valstybiu, ir visu lietuviu
kilmus tikslas grazinti lietu-
viu tautai laisvę, reikalavija
nuosindarus bendradarbiavi-
mo tarp amerikieciu, ir lietu-
viu. Šiam tikslui pasiekti, be
grynai politiniu darbu, reiketu:

1.) Kad toje suty, kurioje
teko man trumpa laika, dirb-
ti, ir kurioje Tautos dirbsite ir
ateityje, amerikieciai remtygi
stipriausia politine lietuviu
organizacija, ir kad jie ne tiek
savo, bet tos lietuviu organiza-
cijos vardu palaikytu, ryzius su
skrupusta Lietuva, nes tokie ry-
ziai gali buti labiausiai efekti-
vi Lietuvoje.

2.) Tokia organizacija gali.

6.

ty, kati VSSKas. Bet tam tikslui
reikėtų, kad dabartinis VSSKas
persitvarkytų, sustiprėtų, ir ap-
jungtų, jei galima, visus lietu-
vius, esančius emigracijoje. Tai
yra grynai lietuvių reikalas,
bet turėtų būti suinteresuo-
ti ir amerikiečiai, ir jie turėtų pe-
dėti VSSKui sustiprėti.

3) Bendradarbiavimas su
persitvarkytu ir sustiprėjusiu
VSSKui būtų naudingas ame-
rikiečiams dar dėl dviejų prie-
žasčių:

a.) VSSKas turi ir turės ry-
šius su kitų tautų organizacio-
mis - lenkų, vokiečių, ukrainiečių,
pabaltiečių. Tuose ryšiuose gali-
ma gauti informacijų, naudingų
ir amerikiečių, ir jų tam tikrai.

b.) VSSKas organizuos pas sa-
vo karinių skyrių, įjungti krašte

mētis gūbduktas, lieciny, sub-
 lina, priekš mēnuo līdiny, is-
 laivinyms karo prasidiny, bet
 in engumutis is laivinyms par-
 sandyge mariny, līdiny, cariny,
 karinins dalinins, kins, suigins
 lu nandese dalyvanti, islas-
 rinins kare. Senkai smigra-
 tai. su lity, pagallas, per gen. An-
 deus itola, per npar ty, darba,
 parvērē, ty, parvērē, līdiny,
 smitvanktis in līdiny, lat-
 vian lēv etar.

8) Vēlko pūmvinikas in
 narinis tūitry, lētis vīrai itēkin
 ti is nūginytannus sūties.

9) Joki Vēlko nūgvinikas
 vīrai nēvīkalingi.

Tādē smitvanktis lity gal
 in ndenqva, bet tai nva galma,
 in to nēkity, sēkti. Cē maran,
 vad tādē smitvankins, darbas

9.
Tuvu, šlandiškai esti, ir iš jo
būtų dideli madaai ir amai.
kiečiams, ir lietuviams, ir mūsų
kreičiūnais lietuvi.

As dikių Samstai ir ki.
tams jų bendradarbiaus vi
mūsų kumiai, nors ir turime
bendradarbiavimo, linbini
jų, moliame darbe givai
sio parveikimo, ir sau patimo.
įs ir atitigę jųms paditi lie.
turiškusai iškilduotai, ir to.
kios mano pagalba būtų nei-
kalings ir nandings.

Sinkidamos jųms viso
givausio, lieku

Su aukšta pagalba
jų
savarankiškais.